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This appendix includes a checklist that will help school personnel ensure that they are prepared for an emergency that may affect their homes as well as the school. Distribute this checklist to all school personnel at the beginning of each school year. Urge faculty and staff to use the checklist to ensure that their families know what is on hand and what to do if an emergency occurs while they are at school.

The items shown on this checklist may not be complete, and some items may be inappropriate for the hazards faced in your area. Feel free to revise the checklist to suit the hazards you face in your community.

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Check	Supplies
	Water and food for 3 days
	Can opener
	Utensils
	First aid kit
	At least a 30-day supply of all needed medications
	Fire extinguisher
	Extra pair of glasses (If you wear contact lenses have a pair of glasses too, because the dust or smoke in the air following some types of disasters makes contacts uncomfortable.)
	Flashlight(s) with extra batteries
	Flares
	Portable AM/FM radio with extra batteries (A weather radio is also helpful in areas served by NOAA Weather Radio.)
	Communication kit (phone number of out-of-state relatives, coins for a pay phone and cash, pre-addressed, stamped postcards)
	Weather protection (gloves, jacket, raincoat, sunscreen, hat, etc.) Rotate as necessary for the season.
	Plastic trash bags
	Complete change of clothing
	Comfortable shoes and practical shoes (steel toe), extra socks Comfortable shoes for those not involved in search and rescue
	Steel toe shoes for those exposed to debris
	Sanitation supplies (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, comb, plastic bags, tissues, sanitary napkins)
	Heavy-duty work gloves
	Shovels
	Sleeping bag, pillow, blankets
	Full tank of gas

Rotate the supplies seasonally. Check shelf life monthly.